Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 02 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 03 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 02 Aug 2023 at 02:56 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of showers and cloud on Wednesday. High for changeable weather to continue for the rest of the week and into the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 02 Aug 2023: Hill fog and rain in the morning. Drier and brighter in the afternoon. Further rain in the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 02 Aug 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
70%	60%	50%	20%	20%	60%

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Weather: A mostly cloudy day with patchy rain, these most extensive early morning before becoming less widespread in by midday and mostly confined to the Cairngorms. Some brighter skies developing later in the afternoon. Thicker cloud and rain late evening and overnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%, best chance west of the A9 and down towards Rannoch Moor

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility outside of cloud and rain. Areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres, lowest cloud bases around the Cairngorms and Monadhliath.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	23/29 E	23/31 E	18/26 NE	19/27 NE	20/28 N	22/30 N	22/30 N
900	16/21 E	20/25 NE	18/25 NE	16/24 NE	16/23 N	15/21 N	15/22 N
600	10/13 NE	14/19 NE	14/21 NE	13/20 NE	12/18 N	8/14 N	9/14 N
300	8/18 E	8/17 NE	10/21 NE	9/20 NE	9/18 N	6/13 N	6/14 N
Glen	3/13 NE	5/15 NE	6/17 NE	5/16 NE	5/15 N	3/12 N	3/13 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	5/0	5/-0	6/2	7/2	5/0	5/-0	5/-0
900	8/4	8/4	9/5	10/6	8/5	8/4	8/4
600	9/7	10/7	11/8	12/10	11/9	10/8	10/8
300	11/10	12/10	13/11	15/13	13/12	12/11	11/10
Glen	10/9	12/11	14/13	16/15	14/13	12/12	11/10
Freezing Level*	2500m	2400m	2200m	2000m	2000m	2100m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note cold temperatures at height

Forecast for Thursday 03 Aug 2023
Weather: A lot of cloud through the day with outbreaks of mainly light rain and drizzle, these may turn briefly heavier later in the afternoon and evening. Best chance of any dry spells in the west. Notable chill in the strong northwesterly winds.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph on the higher tops

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10-20%

Low cloud and visibility: Poor in widespread low cloud down to 700 metres, and as low as 500 metres at first across the north of the area.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 rising to 15 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 10 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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